additional protection data and to produce the electronically published document therefrom in a form usable, meaningful or suitable for sensory perception by the user, and wherein the local computer system comprises output means selected in accordance with the type of the document to be electronically published, adapted to call up, execute or output the document in the form usable, meaningful or suitable for sensory perception by the user, wherein the data storage means is adapted to store the electronically published document in a non-reconstructed, in particular a non-linear form, wherein the non-reconstructed document can be converted into a reconstructed linear document, which is usable by the user, by the action of the linking means, utilizing the additional protection data, characterized in that the local computer system is designed to ensure such that a local storage of the produced document in the form usable, meaningful or suitable for sensory perception is not possible, and a readability or usability of the produced document is dependent on an online, or at least one temporary online, contact between the local computer system and the external data source via the data transmission network.

4. (Twice Amended) Apparatus as set forth in claim 1 characterized in that the local data storage means is a magnetic or optical mass store in which the non-reconstructed data of the electronically published document are stored in a plurality of storage locations which are not interrelated, and wherein the additional protection data denote an interconnection or a sequence of the storage locations.

5. (Twice Amended) Apparatus as set forth in claim 1 characterized in that the local data storage means is a magnetic or optical mass store, wherein the non-reconstructed data of the electronically published document which is stored therein have data gaps and the data gaps are directly closed by the additional protection data, or wherein the additional protection data include storage location identifications which refer to separate storage locations of the local data storage means, in which data, suitable to filling up the data gaps, are stored in a manner corresponding to the data gaps.

6. (Twice Amended) Apparatus as set forth in claim 1 characterized by an encoding means which is embodied by means of a first module of the external data source and a second module of the local computer system and which is adapted for the protected transmission of the additional protection data from the external data source to the local computer system.

9. (Twice Amended) A method of protection representation of electronically published documents, comprising the following steps:

- establishing an online, or at least one temporary online, contact between a local computer system and an external data source via a data transmission network,
- calling up document data from a local data storage means which is part of the local computer system and which stores the document data in a non-reconstructed, particularly a non-linear form,

- receiving additional protection data of the external data source connected to the local computer system by way of the data transmission network thereby making readability or usability of the produced document dependent on the online, or at least temporary online, contact between the local computer system and the external data source via the data transmission network,
- linking the additional protection data to a content of the local data storage means to produce document data in a form usable, meaningful or suitable for sensory perception by the user,
- calling up, executing or outputting the document data in said form, usable, meaningful or suitable for sensory perception by the user, by means of output means selected in accordance with the type of the document to be published electronically, and
- ensuring such that a local storage of the produced document in the form usable, meaningful or suitable for sensory perception is not possible.

14. (Twice Amended) A method as set forth in claim 9 characterized in that the step of receiving the additional protection data includes the following steps:
- encoding of the additional protection data by the external data source,
- transmitting the encoded additional protection data by way of the data transmission network, and
- decoding the encoded additional protection data by the local computer system.